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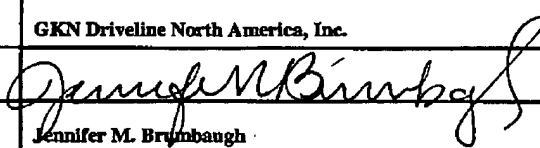
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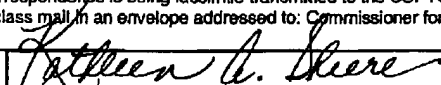
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 20, 2005, please consider the following remarks in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

The Listing of the Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.